

# COUNTY COMMISSION RECORD, CAMDEN COUNTY, MISSOURI

Thursday 05/16/2024

The Camden County Commission met with Presiding Commissioner Ike Skelton, First District Commissioner James Gohagan, and Second District Commissioner Don Williams was absent.

## Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to amend today's agenda to discuss several items under old or other business. Commissioner Skelton seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Skelton (aye). Session opened at 10:00 A.M.

## Prior Minutes

Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to approve 05-14-2024 meeting minutes. Commissioner Skelton seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Skelton (aye).

## New Business

**Second public hearing- speed limit reduction on Southern Cherokee Drive and West Lake Park-** There were no motions made on this agenda item.

There were two people present (Cheryl and Dale Bland) who stated their opposition for lowering the speed limit on Southern Cherokee Drive. Richard Rawlings, resident of West Lake Park, spoke in favor of reducing the speed limit on West Lake Park. He recommended the speed limit be reduced to 25 miles per hour.

**Bid Award- Assessor's Annex Building- Siding-** Camden County Assessor requested the commission reject the bid received as it did not meet all of the requests due to the invitation to bid not being specific enough. The Assessor

stated he would like to put this job out for bid again with a more detailed and concise request for work. Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to reject any bids received and put the request for bids back out upon the recommendation of the Camden County Assessor. Commissioner Skelton seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Skelton (aye).

**Discuss potential restructuring of Elected Officials' office space-** The Camden County Public Administrator, Tom Gorseline, has requested more office space as his office's caseload is steadily increasing. He claims they have run out of room and cannot expand where they are currently in the Justice Center. The commissioners along with the Public Admin. looked at the old post office building along West Highway 54 to see if it could be renovated and used. Commissioner Skelton mentioned possibly trimming all budgets 5% to complete the remodel of the old post office building. The building still contains lots of paper files from other elected officials that the commission thinks should be gone through and disposed of if possible. Someone in attendance of the meeting recommended microfiching files to eliminate paper files. The commission thought that may be something to look into. Commissioner Gohagan asked the Elected Officials in attendance what they would do if they were in their seats and someone requested more space. No one had any recommendations. This agenda item was closed.

### **Other/Old Business:**

**Phishing Emails-** Recently, several elected officials and employees of Camden County have received emails from outside the county's network claiming to be elected officials and/or county employees. They request information, mostly relating to changing direct deposit information, but some of the emails have been bait emails. Most of the time, these emails have been caught and deemed suspicious, but one phishing email for sure has been successful. Commissioner Gohagan expressed that he was a victim of a phishing email received by the former HR director and did not receive pay for a month. He read an incident report provided by the City of Camdenton Police Department regarding the issue. Both commissioners present reminded the present elected officials how

important it is to make sure their employees are able to identify any scams they come across. There were no motions made on this topic.

**Rabies Protocol/Ambulance Districts-** Dennis Bruns was present for the meeting to address an incident that occurred with his son whom is a linemen for a local electric company. His son was bitten by a dog. The injury was not severe although it did break skin. His son was given the runaround from the Health Department, a local veterinary office, and the Sheriff's Department when he was trying to obtain information about the dog and if it was up to date on rabies vaccinations. The owner was not aware if the dog was up to date when asked by the injured person. Mr. Bruns stated that all entities should follow the same protocols and give the same information when asked. Pets are protected by HIPAA like humans, so the vet office could not provide the requested information unless it was the owner requesting the information. There is a short, three day window someone has to start the rabies shots themselves, so if they cannot obtain the information about the animal that has bitten them, they run into a roadblock when deciding what to do for themselves.

Mr. Bruns also serves on the Ambulance District Board and states that the maps used to not match up. He claims there are three different maps: one provided by Rowland Todd (County Clerk), one on the GIS system (shouldn't be used for any official business), and one that the ambulance district currently uses. Mr. Bruns requested, on behalf of the Ambulance District Board, that everyone get on the same page and use the same map. The commission and county attorney advised Mr. Bruns that the map is created by the taxing/voting districts and the Camden County Clerk is the official holder of the map- their office's map is the map that the ambulance district should be using.

Mr. Bruns also serves part time on the soil and water conservation district and he invited the commissioners to their next meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

There were no motions made on these topics.

**Juvenile Justice Center Roof Situation-** There is a known issue with water entering the building. It's been discovered that water is not entering through the windows like the commission was previously told. Instead, water is entering through the roof, coming down the walls, and traveling under the building which effects the foundation. There are many shortcuts that have been found since the

last contractor performed work on the roof that will need to be addressed immediately so that further damage does not occur. There were no motions made on this topic.

**Adjourn:** With no further official business on the agenda, Commissioner Gohagan made a motion to adjourn to any unofficial business that may develop during the day. Commissioner Skelton seconded the motion. The motion passed by vote: Commissioner Gohagan (aye) and Commissioner Skelton (aye). Session closed at 11:17 A.M.

Ordered that the Commission adjourn until further notice.

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*The Skelton, Presiding Commissioner*

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*Jordan Stanton, Admin. Assistant*